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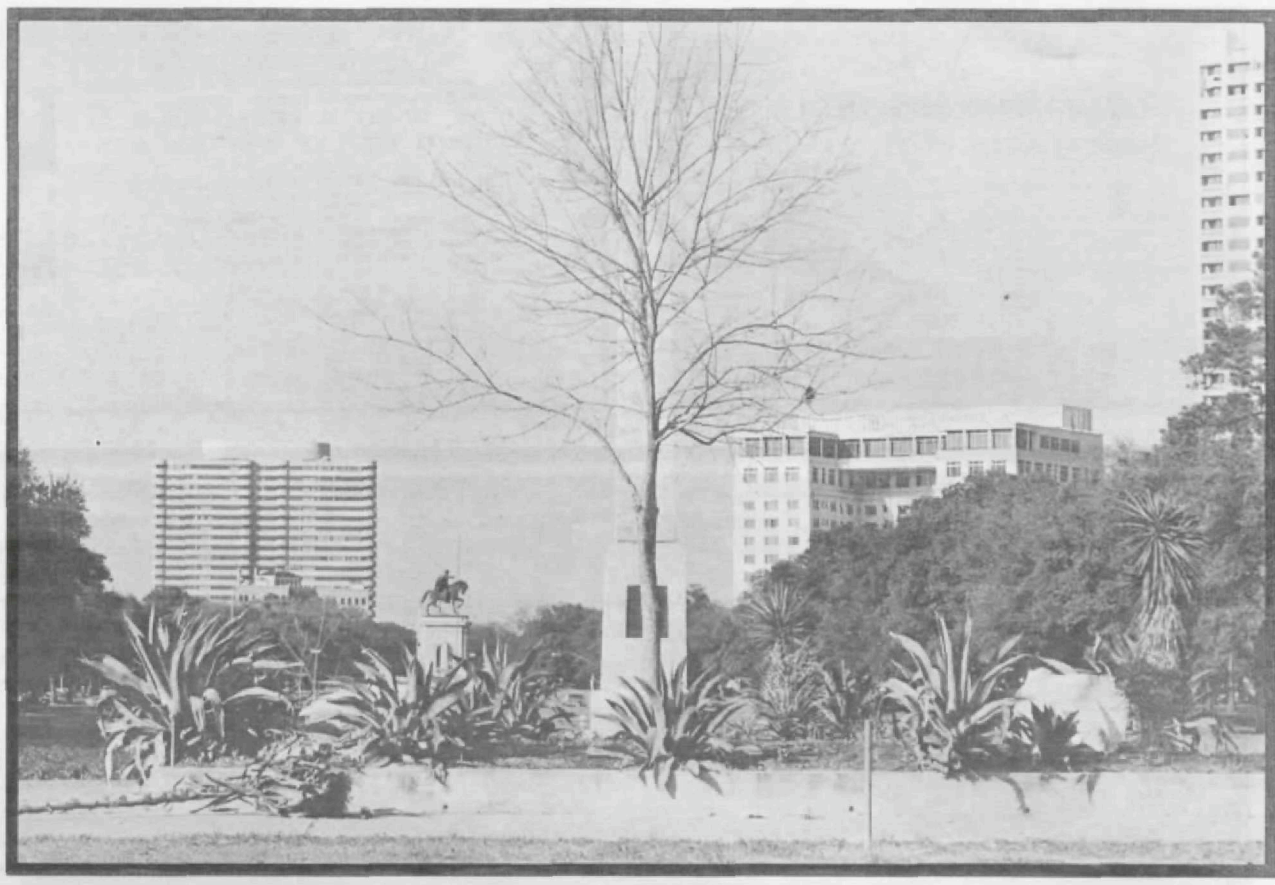
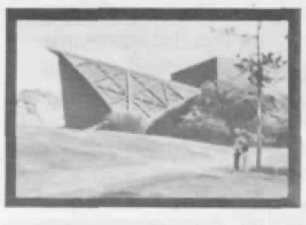
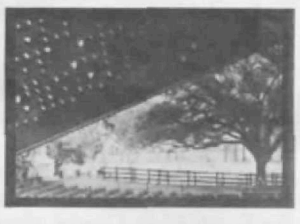
Hermann Park Today

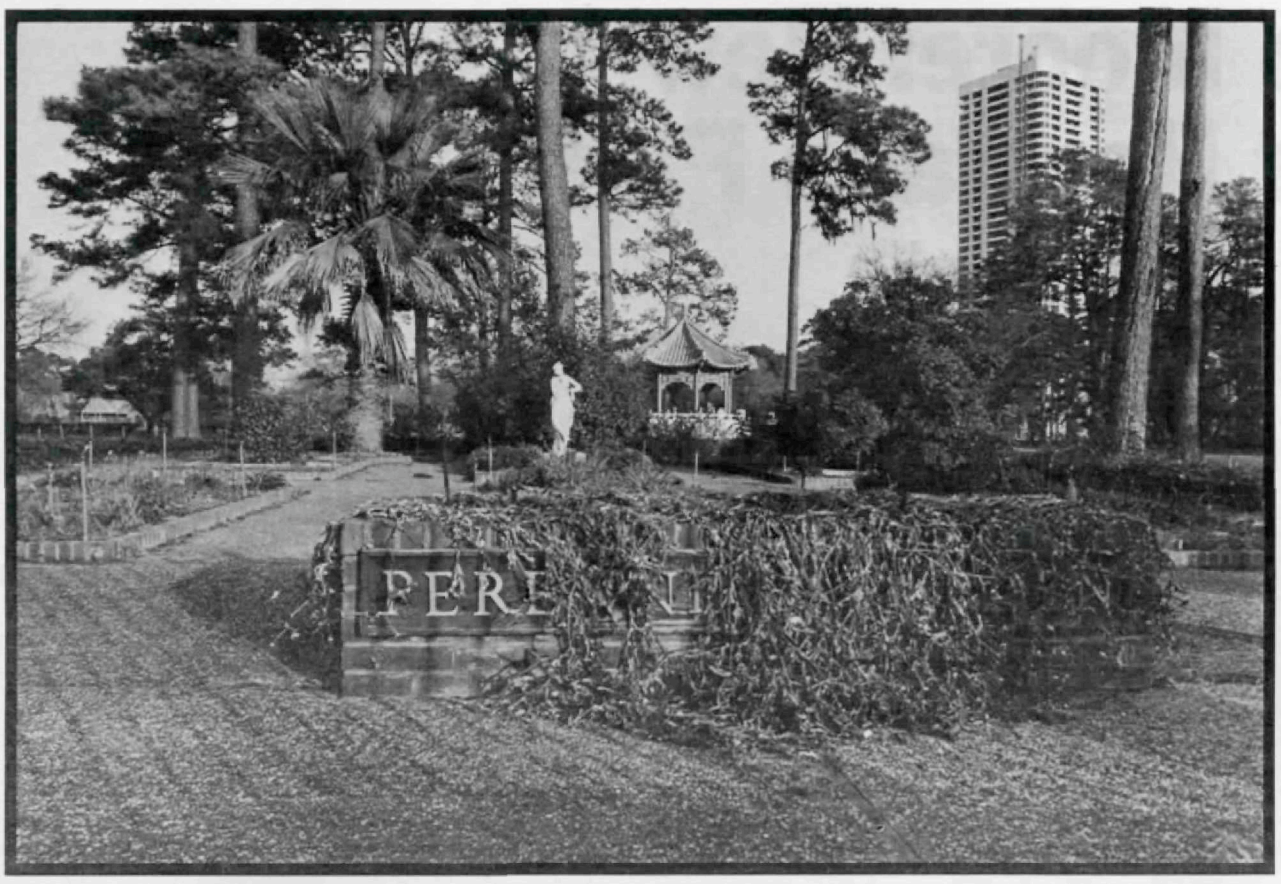
Hermann Park is one of the urban institutions of Houston, a public space where the whole city comes together. The natural features of the park—landscaped greenswards and gardens, stands of native tree growth and various bodies of water—are augmented by structures and places of varied purpose, character and condition. But as Paul Hester's photographs reveal, the popularity of Hermann Park has not insured its careful maintenance or determined public conservation. Instead, official carelessness, expedience and uncontrolled development of various zones within the park continue to erode the qualities of this unique Houston place.

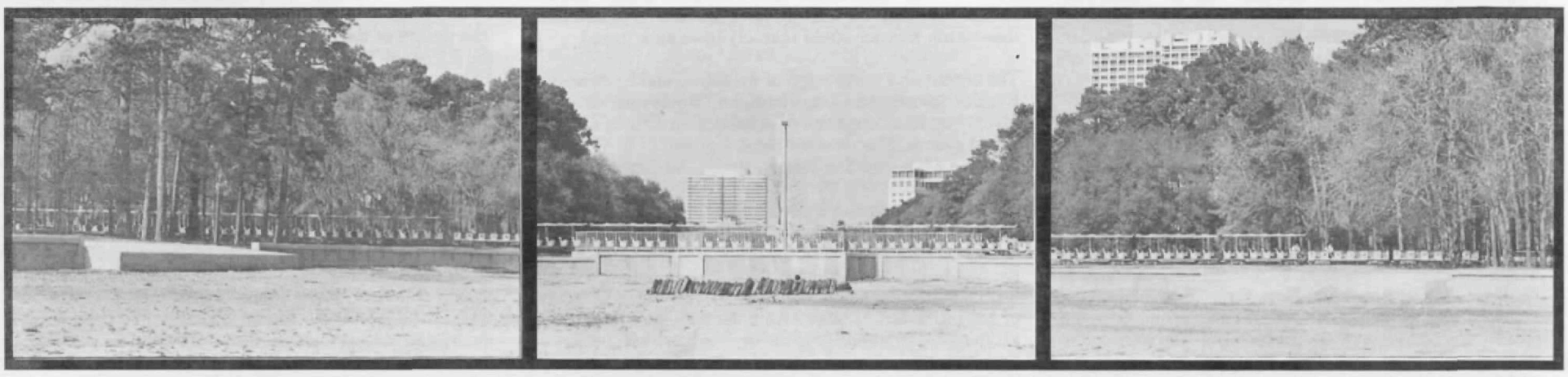
Photographs by Paul Hester

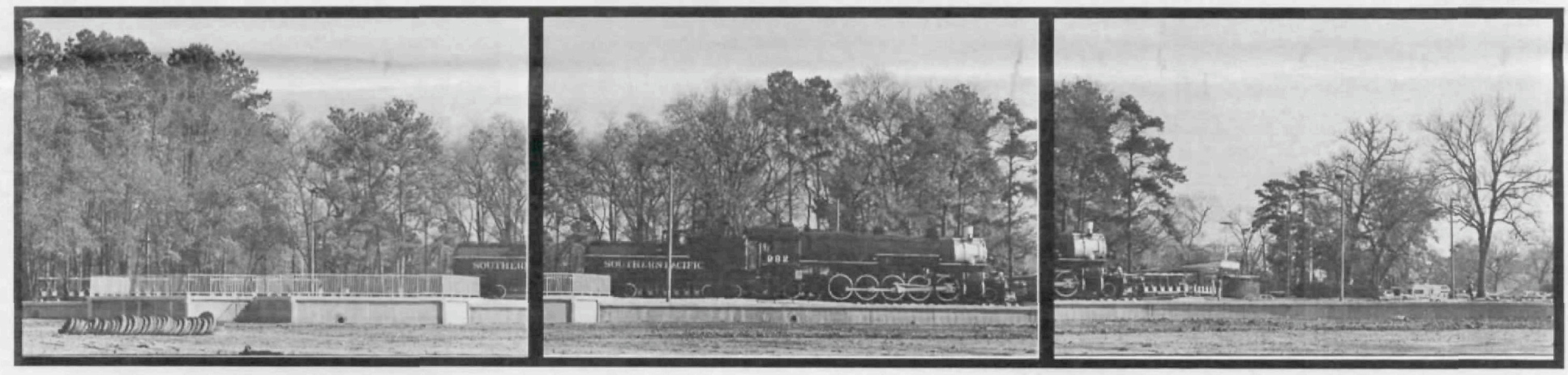


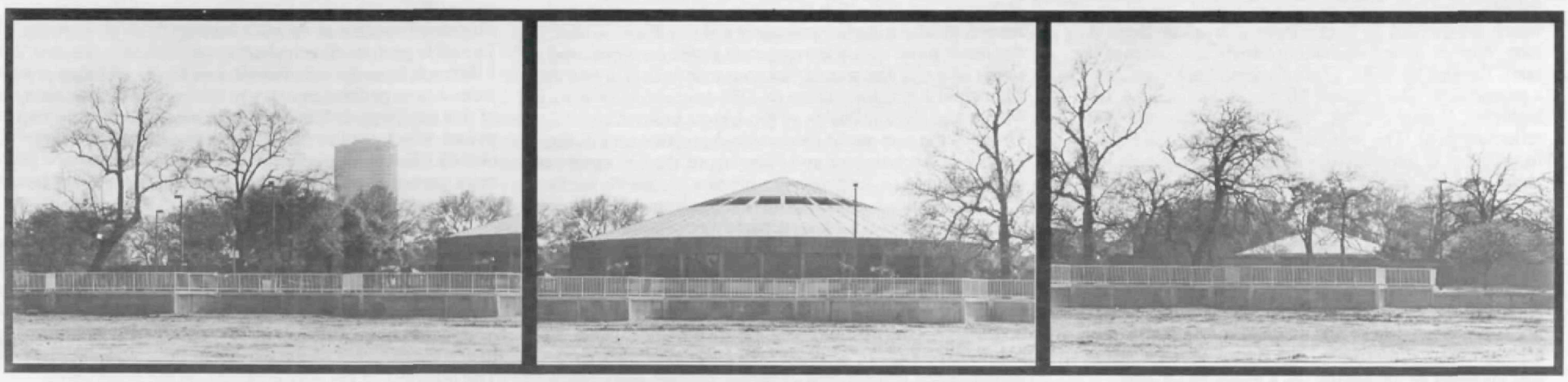












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